

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1169 - HB 1709**

March 27, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes pregnant females to drive in HOV lanes without additional passengers in the motor vehicle. Requires the Department of Revenue to provide a sticker or decal for HOV lane usage with an expiration date of 14 days after the projected date of birth. Prohibits the effectiveness of this bill if the United State Secretary of Transportation makes a formal determination that the state would be disqualified from receiving any federal highway funds.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – \$13,000/One-Time  
\$91,900/Recurring**

**Assumptions:**

- Currently HOV decals are free; therefore, no state revenue impact. According to the Department of Revenue (DOR), there is currently no expiration date on HOV decals.
- DOR will require computer programming changes to track HOV decals with expiration dates. An increase in one-time state expenditures of \$13,031 for OIR programming.
- DOR estimates that 91,917 pregnant drivers will apply for a decal each year. At that quantity, the cost of producing each decal will be approximately \$1.00.
- An increase in recurring state expenditures of \$91,917 to produce decals.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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